

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 26 are pending. Claims 12 – 26 are allowed; claims 1 – 9 are rejected; and claims 10 and 11 are objected to.

The applicants' attorney cancels claims 1 and 9, and amends claims 2 – 7 and 10 to change their dependency from claims 1 and 9 to claim 24. The applicants' attorney asserts that claims 2 – 8, 10 and 11 are in condition for allowance because they now depend from an allowed claim.

The applicants' attorney respectfully requests that the examiner withdraw his rejection of claims 2 – 8 and objection of claims 10 and 11 in view of applicants' amendments and remarks and issue an allowance for claims 2 – 8 and 10 – 26.

Should any additional fees be required, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

If the Examiner believes that a phone interview would be helpful, he is respectfully requested to contact the applicants' attorney, John Janeway, at (425) 455-5575.

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Respectfully submitted,

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